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## PERSHING READY FOR ACTION

### TWELVE THOUSAND MEN IN SPLENDID CONDITION ARE PREPARED TO FIGHT

Reports from the Front Indicate  
the Highest Morale among  
the Men.

ALL ARE READY TO ACT  
Andreas Garcia, Mexican Consul  
at El Paso, Hopes War  
Will Not Come.

EL PASO, June 26.—General Pershing's punitive expeditionary force in Mexico is ready for action if action is necessary.

Today, according to the best information here, his southernmost outpost is near El Valle, less than fifty miles from Colonia Dublan, the main base. It is believed that from El Valle a large and mobile force may be pointed eastward in a strategic position towards the Mexican Central railroad.

In the neighborhood of 12,000 men in splendid fighting trim compose General Pershing's army. Reports from the front indicate the highest morale among the men.

Flare Equipment.  
Equipment has been put in the best of condition. Horses and mules have been tested until only the fit and strong remain. Big motor trucks loaded with the necessary supplies for an advance are lined up.

Every empty truck which remained at Columbus has been sent to the front.

With the lines of the Americans and Mexicans paralleling for at least 150 miles, the rash action of some subordinate commander, it is considered here, might at any time embroil the main command before the exchanges between Washington and Mexico City are considered.

Vigilance Redoubled.  
Fears that events might be thus hastened prompted border commanders to redouble their vigilance today. At all points soldiers were ready to spring into action at a moment's notice. Troop dispositions were made with a view to meeting sudden emergencies.

Five thousand national guardsmen are expected to come to El Paso, it is

said, today.  
From Columbus, it is reported, that preparations are being made to take care of 10,000 guardsmen.  
Garcia Optimistic.  
Andreas Garcia, the Mexican consul at El Paso, today declared himself still optimistic that trouble would be averted.  
"I do not see that there need be war from my interpretation of President Wilson's last note," he declared. "These seventeen prisoners ought not to offer an obstacle."

#### STATE OF WAR DEPENDS ON CARRANZA'S ACTION

WASHINGTON, June 26.—Whether a state of war shall exist between the United States and the defacto government of Mexico depends upon the formal declaration of policy by General Carranza, expected hourly today in response to the note telegraphed to Mexico City Sunday by Secretary Lansing.

The American government will insist upon the immediate release of the aviators captured at Carrizal as demanded in the note, but high officials of the administration explained in interpreting the communication that the course of the United States will be determined by Carranza's final statement of his intentions toward the American expedition in Mexico, to protect the border rather than on the specific circumstances of the Carrizal incident.

Real Issue.  
It was pointed out that Secretary Lansing's note did not found its demands upon a statement that the Mexicans precipitated the fight. Apparently the question has no direct connection with the course President Wilson is pursuing. The Mexican note, saying General Pershing personally directed that General Trevino resist any movement of American troops in Mexico except in retirement toward the border, is the real issue.

The Washington government construes this action as a formal avowal of deliberately hostile action. It demands that if this is Carranza's purpose he so state through regular diplomatic channels.

### REGIMENTS TO GO TOMORROW NIGHT

And They Make Final Preparations Today for Long Journey to the Border.

MT. GRETTA, Pa., June 26.—With marching orders said to be in the hands of Colonel Coulter, officers and men of the Tenth Infantry spent today making final preparations for their long journey to the border. No details were allowed to leak out from headquarters as to the time when the regiments would move out. It was confidently expected that Tuesday night or early Wednesday would see them on their way.

Reports in camp said the regiment would be sent direct to Columbus, N. M., where headquarters will be established and from which place it would be used for border patrol relieving an equal number of regulars for duty in Mexico. The trip is to be made in tourist cars, the berths of which can accommodate one man in every upper and two in the lower.

All the papers and reports of the Tenth were in the hands of General Clement, commanding the camp, on Saturday afternoon, which is said to account for the selection of the Tenth as the first to receive its orders.

#### BRIGADE WILL LEAVE CAMP TUESDAY NIGHT

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 26.—

### GREAT CHANCE IS GIVEN THIS WEEK

In the Telegram's 10,000 Club Campaign as Shown by Announcement.

This is opportunity week in the Telegram 10,000 Club and members who appreciate something big will not fail to grasp it. There is always a time in a campaign of this kind when you can do something big and that time has arrived. Here is what we have to offer you this week: For every club of \$25 that you turn in this week we will give you a certificate for 50,000 votes. These votes are in addition to the regular schedule. And here is the big offer—100,000 extra votes will be given to the members who turn in the most business this week from each district. To the next six highest in each district we will give 50,000 votes.

The 100,000 certificate is equal to \$25.00, and you can have it for being just a little more energetic than the other members of the Club.

This is a chance to show what you can do when you make a special effort.

To those of you who did not complete a club for the last week, or if you had any over your last week club, you may count it on this offer. If you intend to win one of the big prizes that the Telegram is giving away, you must make a special effort to get one of these clubs as the other members are getting them and you can see where you will be left behind soon if you do not try to keep up. This is the first work day of the week. Make up your mind to go after that 100,000 certificate and work toward that end and you will be surprised to know what you can really accomplish. Give yourself this chance, for you never know just how much you can do if you never make a real effort. Remember, we are giving you all that you can earn of the \$2,500 in cash and merchandise awards and the part that you receive will be according to work.

### INDORSES HUGHES



Theodore Roosevelt.

### MEXICANS' NEW LINES PARALLEL THE RIVER ALL ALONG BORDER

Main Strength of the Mexican Forces is Withdrawn from the Border.

GARRISONS MERE SHELLS

Army Officers along Border Believe There Will Come Something to Precipitate Clash.

SAN ANTONIO, June 26.—News reaching army headquarters here today indicates that the Mexican forces along the Rio Grande from Matamoros to Juarez either have withdrawn their main strength from their border or are preparing to do it. It is also indicated that these troops are taking stations at strategic points along a line well south of the border where railroad junctions allow the rapid handling of troops or where the topography of the country permits a strong defense.

Their new lines parallel in a way the course of the Rio Grande and would command the strategic points of Monterey and Saitillo, the Coahuila coal mines, which furnish the main fuel supply of Mexico, Paredon, the main railroad junction point between Monterey and Saitillo, and Torreon, which probably will be the main base of the Mexican army, and Chihuahua City.

The Mexican garrisons at Matamoros, Nuevo Laredo and Juarez are said to be mere shells. Only a negligible force is said to be stationed opposite Del Rio, and the strongest force along the border, that at Piedras Negras, opposite Eagle Pass, is reported preparing to evacuate at a moment's notice.

The force at Piedras Negras is commanded by General Francisco Murguía, whom General Carranza is said to have had difficulty in controlling in times past.

General Funes's forces along the border are ready for any movement

### CHURCH DEDICATION MARKS A GREAT DAY

For the People of Davisson's Run with Weather a Miracle of Perfection.

June 25, 1916, marked a day long to be remembered by the people of Davisson's run. For it was then—yesterday—that they gathered to dedicate their new Methodist Episcopal church.

The weather was a miracle of perfection, and early in the morning the crowd began to turn toward the new church in autos, carriages and on foot. At 10:30 the first real sensation came with the arrival of the Stealey Heights Methodist Episcopal Sunday school band. This organization is composed of seventeen youths ranging in age from about 9 to 16 years, under the excellent leadership of John E. Stealey. They are known in Stealey Heights as "Uncle John's Boys." They were the center of attraction throughout the whole day, enlivening the morning and afternoon services and entertaining the crowd in the adjoining grove between services.

Respond Loyally.  
After an inspiring sermon by the district superintendent, the Rev. Dr. L. E. Resseger, the solicitors were called and the work of raising the \$500 needed to cover the deficit in

the cost of the building was begun. The people responded loyally and the industrious work of the solicitors and the pleasantness of the Rev. Mr. Resseger.

The morning session was adjourned for dinner when \$275 of the needed amount had been raised. In a few moments after the opening of the afternoon service the balance was provided for and the church, free of debt, was ready to be dedicated to divine worship.

And what a dinner those good people served! Enough to serve 1,500 people was provided for both dinner and supper. Fully 1,000 were on hand to enjoy their fine hospitality. The visiting people were loud in their praise of the good time, of the fine church and of the excellent services.

Modern Structure.  
The building is excellently located and up-to-date in every particular to meet the needs of this growing rural community. Too much praise cannot be given the good people of the community regardless of denomination and to the popular pastor, the Rev. C. B. Arnsperger.

The district superintendent and the people paid touching tributes to his loyal service in guiding the movement to such splendid success. The Rev. C. Warman, the Rev. C. W. Wise and the Rev. Walter Sinclair were present and they gave much appreciated services in the exercises of the day.

The day was brought to a fitting close by an excellent sermon in the evening by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Arnsperger.

J. A. King is here from Parkersburg.

#### NIGHT ATTACK.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
PARIS, June 26.—In a night attack the French captured part of a German trench between Fumina and Chenois wood in the Verdun sector. A German attack west of Thiaumont was repulsed, according to an official statement issued by the French war office today. A heavy artillery duel is in progress west of the Meuse.

### IN RINGING STATEMENT, "TEDDY" FLAYS WILSON AND INDORSES HUGHES

#### NEW CHURCH IS DEDICATED

Appropriate Ceremonies Mark  
Dedication of Edifice at the  
New Fair Grounds.

The Fairview Baptist church of the New Fair Grounds addition, which was recently completed at a cost of \$5,000 was dedicated Sunday with appropriate ceremonies. The cost of the church given does not include the cost of the site on which it was built.

The dedicatory sermon was preached at the morning service by the Rev. L. G. Powell, of Grafton. In the afternoon the dedication services were held with a large number of ministers from churches in Clarksburg and other nearby places participating. The Rev. A. Bailey, pastor of the church, offered the dedicatory prayer, and the Rev. Dr. W. C. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church of this city, read from the Scriptures. The Rev. Dr. E. B. Turner, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, delivered an impressive address in the afternoon. Others who had a part in the afternoon service were the Rev. C. B. Mitchell, pastor of Christ Episcopal church of this city; the Rev. E. J. Woolter, of Salem; the Rev. William D. Newton, of Broad Oaks; the Rev. George Woolter, of Bridgeport; the Rev. D. L. Whitener, of Willsburg, and the Rev. Eli Lightner, of Monogah.

In the evening, the Rev. A. B. Withers, of Bridgeport, who is popularly known as "the Sunday school man," was the principal speaker. Good crowds attended all the services.

The church is a monument to the untiring zeal of the pastor and the thirty-eight members of the congregation. The church is a beautiful edifice and meets the needs of the congregation in every way. There are few churches in the state, with as small a congregation, having such a fine edifice.

#### THEFT

Of Money is Charged by Local Authorities against Fairmont Woman.

FAIRMONT, June 26.—"Lena," of "pig-in-the-bathtub" renown, limped off a Clarksburg car Sunday night and was immediately escorted to the city police station where she proved a source of amusement for fifteen or twenty minutes. Lena is alleged to have stolen money Sunday evening in Clarksburg and police headquarters of Clarksburg notified Fairmont she would arrive at ten Sunday night. Clarksburg officers will return her there today.

She spent the night in the woman's compartments at the county jail, there being no place in the city enclosure suitable for her. She was suffering from a lame ankle, which was stiffly bandaged.

"Lena," few people seem to know her last name, is a red haired Italian woman of great portliness. She is quite witty and also had one of the most remarkable flows of profanity of any individual who ever passed through Ellis Isle. She specializes, however on "general magnetism."

One time when officers were called to her residence in the Speedway, they were interested to find in the bathtub, not her pet poodle but her precious pig.

#### MOREY RESCUED

By a Scouting Party Detached from the Command of Major Jenkins.

SAN ANTONIO, June 26.—Brief reports from General Reshine early today contained the news that Captain Morey had been rescued by a scouting party detached from Major Jenkins' command. Major Jenkins reported that the two squadrons of the Eleventh were continuing their search for survivors of the Carrizal engagement and indicated at the time he filed his report early Sunday none of the Mexican troops had been encountered.

ROSEMONT CHILD BURIED.

Urges All Progressives to Support the Republican Candidate for President.

SCORES ADMINISTRATION  
Third Party Ticket Would Mean Four More Years of Wilson, He Says.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
CHICAGO, June 26.—Theodore Roosevelt in a letter read to the Progressive national committee in session here today finally declined to accept the presidential nomination of the party and strongly urged the organization to support Charles E. Hughes. The colonel's letter was read by Oscar King Davis, secretary of the committee. Colonel Roosevelt's letter in full is as follows:  
To the Progressive National Committee:

Gentlemen—In accordance with the message I sent to the Progressive national convention as soon as I had received the notification that it had nominated me for president, I now communicate to you my reasons for declining the honor which I so deeply appreciate. Since the adjournment of the convention, I have received between two and three thousand letters and telegrams from men who had supported me for the nomination, the majority expressing the desire that I would refuse to run, while a minority urged that I should accept the nomination. As it is a physical impossibility to answer these letters and telegrams individually, I beg of the courtesy of the senders that they will accept this public statement in lieu of such answers.

Before speaking of anything else, I wish to express my heartfelt and most unalloyed admiration for the character and the services of the men and women who made up the Progressive national convention in 1912. I can give them no higher praise than to say that in all respects they stood level with the men and women who in 1912 joined at Chicago to found the Progressive Party. These two conventions, in character, in disinterestedness, in vision, in insight, in high purpose, and in desire to render practical service to the people, typified exactly what such bodies ought to be in a great self-governing democracy. They represented the spirit which moved Abraham Lincoln and his political associates during the decade preceding the close of the Civil War. The platform put forth in 1912 was much the most important public document promulgated in this country since the death of Abraham Lincoln. It represented the first effort on a large scale to translate abstract formulas of economic and social justice into concrete American nationalism; the effort to apply the principles of Washington and Lincoln to the needs of the United States in the twentieth century. No finer effort was ever made to serve the American people, in a spirit of high loyalty to all that is loftiest in the American tradition.

Events have shown that the Progressive party in 1912 offered the only alternative to the triumph of the Democratic party. Moreover, these events have shown that the application of the principles which we then advocated is even more necessary to this nation than we at the time supposed.

The results of the terrible world war of the past two years have now made it evident to all who are willing to see, that in this country there must be spiritual and industrial preparedness, along the lines of efficiency, of loyal service to the nation, and of practical application of the precept that each man must be his brother's keeper. Furthermore, it is no less evident, that this preparedness for the tasks of peace forms the only sound basis for that indispensable military preparedness which rests on universal military training, and which finds expression in universal obligatory service in time of war. Such universal obligatory training and service are the necessary complements of universal suffrage, and represent the realization of the true American, the democratic, ideal in both peace and war.

Sooner or later the national principles championed by the Progressives of 1912 must in their general effect be embodied in the structure of our national existence. With all my heart I shall continue to work for these great ideals, shoulder to shoulder with the men and women who in 1912 championed them; and I am sure that these men and women will show like loyalty to the other, the fundamental ideals which the events of the last two years have proven to be vital to the permanency of our national existence. The method by which we are to show our loyalty to these ideals must be determined in each case by the facts of the situation.

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#### GENERAL RETREAT.

(BY ASSOCIATED PRESS)  
ROME, June 26.—A general retreat of the Austrians in the Tiro district, over a sector about twenty miles in extent is announced in an official statement issued by the Italian war office today. The statement says that Italians are pressing the pursuit vigorously.